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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED DECEMBER 9, 1999

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed December 9, 1999 in which claims 1-20 were subject to an election requirement. The Office Action required the Assignee of Entire Interest to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits. The Office Action identified Species A which is drawn to a disc drive containing 6 drives and Species B which is drawn to a disc drive containing 12 discs.

Assignee of Entire Interest hereby elects to prosecute Species A: claims 1-14 and 18-20. Assignee of Entire Interest appreciates the Examiner's suggestion that claims 1-7 and 13-14 are generic.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-1038.

Respectfully submitted,

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